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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Masato KUWABARA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1772

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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION**

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit the accompanying remarks in response to the April 1, 2005 Requirement for Restriction.

1. Remarks begin on page 2.